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Core Administration, Planning and Evaluation Portion of 5 GO3 RM 00015-02

The planning grant of the Intermountain Regional Medical Program expires on March 31, 1968.

The region has now submitted a separate proposal for core administration, planning and evaluation as a component of the operational grant. It will now utilize one grant mechanism for future planning and operational activities with one common anniversary date.

Because no future support was requested for the planning portion beyond the 02 year, and because of the region's wish to merge its planning component into the operational, this proposal is presented for Council's consideration. The present request in the amount of \$669,558 (includes indirect costs) represents an increase of approximately \$200,000 over the first year's award and approximately \$215,558 over the second. The budget areas showing the greatest increase over current support are:

	02 Awarded	Current Req.
Personnel	\$209,017	\$397,464
Equipment	6,650	23,729

The region has reorganized its administrative structure recently and a functional organizational chart is appended to the application. The University of Utah College of Business was utilized as consultants in this reorganization, which occurred as a result of a number of administrative problems arising early in the program. This was also the subject of a paper presented to the RMP Conference-Workshop recently.

The region has felt a serious handicap in using physician-consultants in rounding out their planning program in view of their part-time aspects. They now wish to staff with physician personnel on a full-time basis for pilot projects as well as planning for future projects.

The region continues a vigorous campaign to keep the area <u>au courant</u> in its regionalization process, but some projects such as the population sampling, in-service training programs, manpower, etc., have had to be put aside until additional personnel can be obtained.